

Christ Our Hope Pastoral Council Meeting – Thursday, June 20, 2019 Protivin Community Center

☪ Mission Statement: The Christ Our Hope Cluster offers meaningful, fulfilling, and varied avenues of worship, Catholic education, social service, and community life for all ages within our six parishes to support the active practice of Catholic Faith in all that we do.

Adoration – 6:30PM Holy Trinity Church, Protivin

Meeting called to order at 7:00PM by Chairman Steve Busta (ABVM)

Members present: Steve Busta(ABVM), Maxine Balk (SM), Barbara Shatek (SJ), Melvin Bodensteiner (SL),
Julianne Kout (OLMC)

Members absent: Leon Wiemann (ABVM), Kathleen Chicken (SM), Roger Ott (SJ), Clair Blong (SL),
Kyle Fencil (HT), Cheryl Mracek (HT)

COH Staff: Grace Arens – Pastoral Associate

Opening Prayer: Prayer of Cardinal John Henry Newman (who will be made a saint October 13, 2019)

Minutes from February 28, 2019 & review of current financial condition - Approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Answers/discussion concerning “Questions for Individual Parish Reflection” – strong and weak points at Sunday Mass, future of faith formation program as it grows and develops, and adequate material/spiritual service opportunities cluster-wide.

Mass schedules, especially concerning Christmas & Easter, were talked about along with other possibilities.

Prayer List for the bulletin will become a reality in the very near future.

- b. Transition from Director of Faith Formation to Director of Evangelization

Review of the original job description and its requirements such as a preference for a candidate with a Masters Degree, but willing to keep looking for the right person to meet our goals.

1. RE Program - It is time to take in data about what families need, use of mentoring by someone outside of our program, focus on how we can grow, and not schedule any big events.

Martin Ahrndt will render specific paid part-time assistance and Cathy Humpal will be employed 20 hours per week.

2. Adult Formation should be human formation-- a bridge and not a stumbling block, always striving to become a real, solid human being who is prayerful and can lead others to pray. Recognize the potential in others to seek a vocation in the priesthood/religious life.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Mission Feedback – Jon Leonetti Good attendance and great presentation. Positive comments.
- b. Upcoming parish elections – a little later than what we are used to. Archdiocese seeks to have this completed by July 31 each year. No one is going off this time around for Cluster Council.
By-laws for cluster council will be a topic for future meetings.
Location for future meetings – OLMC Church, Lawler
- c. Cluster Budget – projected figures for FY19/20 Goal: live healthy as a Cluster

CLOSING PRAYER: Glory Be

Adjournment: 8:15PM

NEXT MEETING: TBD

Respectfully submitted,
Maxine Balk, Recording Secretary

